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## HIGHWAY IMPROVEMENT

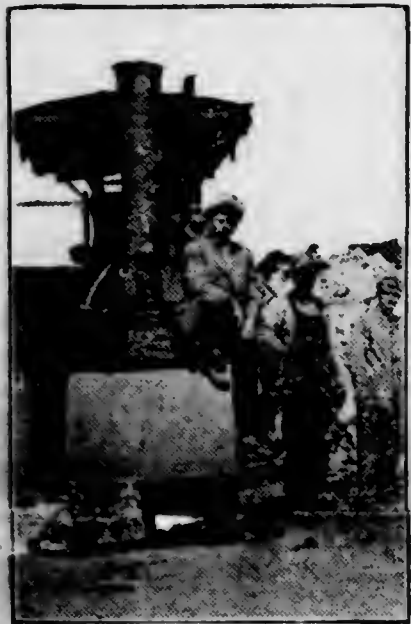
### TO STUDY ROAD CONDITIONS

Data Being Sought Looking Toward Standardized System of Local Road Management.

Detailed studies of local road building systems in 100 counties are now being carried on by the department of agriculture in co-operation with the state highway departments and local road authorities.

The purpose of this study is to discover the points of excellence and defects in existing local methods of building and maintaining roads which will aid the state authorities to put local road management on a systematized basis. The co-operating state authorities have been asked to designate counties that present typical and exceptional features as to topography, character of road materials, methods of construction and maintenance, administrative organization, methods of road financing and traffic conditions. From these lists 100 counties will be selected, and in these counties the division of road economics will make intensive studies.

This investigation is prompted by the fact that there is at present very little knowledge as to the most effective and economical methods by which a county can develop its roads. At present the methods of financing local road improvements vary from



Rolling a Road Surface.

calling on farmers for a certain number of days labor in lieu of a road tax, or the use of county prisoners in road construction, to bond issues or maintenance of roads from drainage license funds.

The department will study all of these systems with the view to determining what system or combination of systems works best in actual practice.

There is, however, at present no standard system of keeping accounts for road building and maintenance, and as a result, while some counties know to a penny the purpose for which money was spent, others have no definite check or reporting system. Among various counties with the same conditions, cost for excavation or other labor is anything but uniform, and many counties, because of the absence of definite knowledge, fail to use local and cheap materials and construct roads which are unnecessarily expensive for their purpose, or which will wear out before the bond issues are redeemed. The investigation will include a careful study of the use of convict labor in road construction.

In connection with the scientific study, the department's highway engineers will advise freely with local officials as to improvements, and thus give each county visited the advantage of direct co-operation, engineering supervision and assistance.

These investigations, it is believed, will yield important economic data bearing especially on the benefits and burdens of road improvement and showing the extent to which financial outlay under given typical conditions is justifiable.

The heads of state highway departments are manifesting great interest and are co-operating cordially in this work. These data when obtained will be published and thus made accessible to all county and state road officials.

### Letting Sun Shine on Highway.

The earth road should have at least six hours of sunshine each day. This can be obtained either by locating the road with southern or western exposure or by having such brush and trees as impede the drying action of the sun and wind removed. With gravel and stone roads this is not so necessary, as a certain amount of moisture is needed on such roads, especially in the summer time.

### Brings Market Nearer.

The good road brings the market nearer to your farm and adds materially to the value of the place, whether you want to sell or live there.

### Seeking Dry Roadbeds.

Roads should never be located so close to stream beds as to be subject to overflow, or on ground which is constantly damp and marshy.

### Every Citizen Interested.

A highway is no longer of purely local interest. Every citizen of a state is interested in the roads.

## ORCHARD GLEANINGS

### PLANTING OF STRAWBERRIES

Maryland Man Sets Plants Eighteen to Twenty Inches Apart and Cultivates in One Direction.

In a talk on strawberries by J. W. Kerr, of Maryland, before the State Horticultural association, the matter of low plan of planting was given the preference by the speaker. The plants are set 18 to 20 inches apart, and are cultivated in one direction. The rows are well mulched with straw. Two years of cropping one bed are deemed sufficient. The speaker said he regards strawberries as more remunerative than any other fruit. Even ordinary management will bring good results. The crop is fastidious as to soil requirements, and the grower must learn what varieties do best on his land. For instance, one grower who has 20 to 30 acres annually in the tandy variety has a moist, rich soil, which is what it requires. He is very successful with this variety. There are other late ripening kinds that are profitable. "The question of varieties is so local and circumstantial," said the speaker, "that it can be solved by the expert individual only." One variety may prove a rank failure, where with another person it may prove very profitable.

### PLAN OF IDEAL GRAPE ARBOR

Up-to-Date Method of Construction of Vine Trellis, Together With Illustration Given.

Following is an ideal and up-to-date method of constructing a grape arbor or vine trellis:

The four posts are of 4x4 material and 7 feet tall, writes Vernon Hirtzbeck. Plates and braces of the same material are joined together, as illustrated. The plates are of sufficient length to accommodate the width of woven-wire fencing designed for the top.

The fence is drawn and kept taut by means of the four anchor wires and turn-buckles.

The wire must be securely anchored in the ground by means of a steel anchor ground, or else set in the concrete.



Grape Arbor or Vine Trellis.

ment, and should be of woven wire cable to withstand the strain. The bars and stays of the fence used should be of equal distance apart and of sufficient strength—poultry netting will not do.

Up to 50 feet in length 4x4 material is heavy enough for the supports and over 50 feet, 6x6 should be used.

If intended to be used as a vine trellis, a low fence can also be fastened vertically upon each side, thus completely shading the walk.

### PLAN TO PRUNE BUSH FRUITS

Remove All Wood From Currant and Gooseberry Bushes That Is More Than Four Years Old.

In response to an inquiry regarding the pruning of currants and gooseberries, the division of horticulture of the Oregon Agricultural college replied recently:

"Both currants and gooseberries produce their fruit on wood, two, three, four or five years old. The new year-old wood seldom bears much fruit. Wood more than four years old usually grows rather weak and bears only a small amount of rather inferior fruit."

"It is generally considered advisable to remove all wood from both currant and gooseberry bushes that is more than four years old. Then thin out the new canes that came up from the ground or near the ground last season to three or four of the strongest ones and head these back to about two feet in length."

"If this plan is followed season after season, your gooseberry and currant bushes will consist each year of three or four one-year-old shoots, three or four two-year-old, and also of four-year-old branches."

### Renovating the Old Orchard.

To change neglected orchards from a state of worthlessness and disgrace to that of a revenue producer and a pleasing plantation, we should begin by giving the trees as good soil conditions as possible. If necessary, drain between every row of trees. If the ground is very hard it may be necessary to subsoil a space, say ten feet, wide, between each row of trees. Go over the orchard and note the varieties of which the trunks are sound, and which will make good stock on which to graft. At the proper time in April have these grafted.

## DISEASES OF POULTRY

GERMS AND PARASITES SHOULD BE KEPT OUT.

Hens Used for Hatching Should Be Healthy and Dusted Well With Vermin Powder Before Setting—Must Be Kept Clean.

(By JOHN BOWEN, Corvallis, 1914.)

Poultry are liable to be affected by a number of diseases and may also be infected by various kinds of parasites which live on the surface of the body and also in the crop, stomach or intestines, taking the nourishment which should be used to put on flesh or produce eggs and also causing irritation and inflammation.

The contagious diseases produced by animal and vegetable germs are the most important the poultryman has to consider in trying to keep his birds healthy. These germs and the parasites should be kept out preferably by preventive measures, although there are cases where medicines may be advantageously given. As a rule, however, it is better to kill sick fowls, the cost of treatment being greater than the value of the birds. Moreover, the spread of contagious diseases is also there.

To start right, then, set eggs from a flock which has shown no indications of contagious disease for at least a year; avoid putting these eggs in packing such as straw, etc., which may be nasty or moldy; wipe them with a cloth wet in seventy to eighty per cent alcohol and hatch them in a thoroughly cleaned incubator. The young chicks should then be free from parasites and injurious germs of all kinds, and to keep them so put them in clean brooders and allow them to run only upon ground which has not been used for fowls for several years.

Should hens be used for hatching the chicks pick out those known to be healthy and dust well with flea powder before setting. Their nests should be perfectly clean, and there should be a box of road dust or sifted hard coal ashes under cover where they can dust themselves. When the young chicks are taken from the nest examine carefully for lice. These parasites accumulate under the throat and on the top and back of the head, and if any lice are found rub the neck oil, pure lard or vasoline with the finger over the parts where the lice are.

By starting thus a flock may be raised practically free from disease germs and parasites, but to keep germs and parasites from developing and increasing to a dangerous extent, the hens must be kept clean, the drinking fountains and feed troughs washed every day or two with boiling water, and if any lice are found on the birds or in their houses, the roasts and adjoining parts of the walls should be sprayed with a good disinfectant used in connection with freshly slaked lime.

### FOR THE POULTRY BEGINNER

Unless Novice Has Had Some Previous Experience It Is Better to Begin in Small Way.

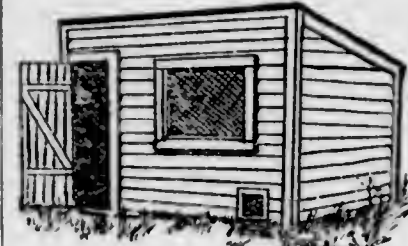
If you are intending to begin in the poultry business this spring without any previous experience do not start with a large flock.

It is better to begin with a small flock as you will get your experience much cheaper and be better able to handle your flock as it increases.

Do not harbor the mistaken notion that there is not much work to be done about a poultry plant.

"To be sure the work is light but you will find it to be about the busiest job you ever undertake."

A great deal has been printed about the large profits to be made in the



This Building Will House Thirty Hens and Can Be Built for \$30.

business. In the cases where this is true it has been where the conditions have been unusually favorable as to markets, etc.

Don't expect a profit of from \$5 to \$6 a hen as some people claim to have made. If you clear between \$2 and \$3 a hen under ordinary conditions you will have reason to be proud of your work. Quite likely as you gain your experience and find your markets you will be able to do better, but if you expect to make your fortune in a couple of years without any previous training you will be greatly disappointed.

### Convenience of Incubator.

If you have an incubator, you can go to hatching chicks as soon as you have eggs enough, whereas you have to wait for a setting hen till she gets ready.

### Early Hatched Chicks.

Early hatched chicks are stronger and start laying in the fall, while summer hatches will not lay before spring.

### Bones for Poultry.

For poultry, fresh bones from the butcher shop pounded fine, are superior to the commercial bone meal.

## HORSES, PIGS and CATTLE

### BEST USE OF CORN FODDER

In Tests With Sheep at Massachusetts Station Has Shown Feed to Be Good for Fattening.

(By JAMES MOHRMAN, Corvallis, 1914.)

Corn is an excellent feed for live stock, both grain and stalks being fed to advantage, but in feeding it care must be taken to give the best results. The grain is a concentrated source of nutriment, palatable, easily masticated and readily digested and assimilated, but for dairy cows, corn should never be made up more than one-half to three-fifths of the concentrate part of the ration. It needs roughage as cornstalks or hay fed with it, for corn is poor in protein, but rich in digestible carbohydrates. So for dairy cows, corn should be ground and fed with bran middlings or ground oats which are richer in protein, rather than fed alone.

Corn fodder is the name given to the whole plant harvested with the ears on the stalks. The nutritive ratio of corn fodder has been ascertained to be about 1 to 11.5, so that some higher or protein food is necessary to properly balance it to get the good results, and either alfalfa or clover has been found excellent for the purpose.

In tests with sheep the Massachusetts station has shown that different varieties of corn fodder, while varying slightly in digestibility, are good for fattening purposes. At the Manitoba experiment farm corn fodder was fed to steers, and it proved to be a more profitable roughage than cut sheaves. Where small numbers of stock are kept, good results may be obtained by feeding out corn fodder moistened with hot water and allowed to stand for 24 hours. The concentrated feeds, such as cottonseed meal, can be mixed with this mass and the cattle will eat it readily and digest it well. In fact, it is better and more economical than dried fodder or hay.

Corn fodder may also be fed to horses, but one-third of the bulk of the ration should be made up of some other material, preferably red clover or alfalfa. Avoid feeding soft corn, which is injurious to horses. As a matter of fact, corn stover is to be preferred to corn fodder for horses, with a slight addition of some concentrate feed. Shredding the stover is neither necessary nor desirable.

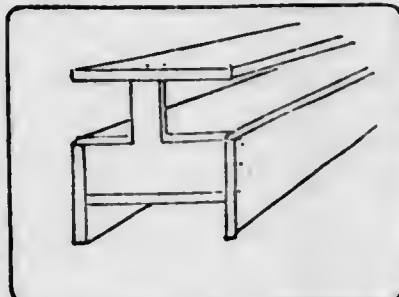
The name corn stover is applied to the stalk after the ear of corn has been removed. Stover may be fed to dairy cows with good results, particularly if the stover is shredded and mixed with cut alfalfa or bran, oats, barley or peas, thus providing a valuable and cheap feed. Shredding adds value as it is more easily fed and stored and readily eaten by stock.

### WASTEFUL FEEDING METHODS

Considerable Amount of Feed Could Be Saved by Providing Suitable Racks or Mangers.

One of the great sources of waste in feeding animals during the winter months is a failure to have a feed rack of some sort in which to put the feed. The feed is put on the ground and about one-third of it wasted by the animals trampling it under foot. This could be remedied by putting up suitable feed racks or mangers.

Another source of waste is in feeding whole fodder. If the fodder could be shredded and fed in that form it



An Easily Constructed Trough.

would save about one-half of the fodder that is usually wasted when fed whole. The animals will not eat the whole fodder if they think that there is a grain of corn in it, but will nose it around, trample it under foot and waste a larger portion of it. When fed whole it is a good deal easier for them to pull it out of the rack or manger and trample it into the ground.

To save these little items of feed means the saving of good money and in the end a fatter pocketbook.

### Separate the Ewe.

When the ewe is due to lamb, she should be shut off in a small stall well bedded with straw and protected by a good shed. Here she will be unmolested by the rest of the flock, and there will be no danger of the lamb becoming lost in the flock or the ewe disowning her offspring. A few precautions will save the tany man loss of lambs and a lot of trouble and worry.

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## HUSBAND RESCUED DESPAIRING WIFE

After Four Years of Discouraging Conditions, Mrs. Bullock Gave Up in Despair. Husband Came to Rescue.

Catron, Ky.—In an interesting letter from this place, Mrs. Bettie Bullock writes as follows: "I suffered for four years, with womanly troubles, and during this time, I could only sit up for a little while, and could not walk anywhere at all. At times, I would have severe pains in my left side.

The doctor was called in, and his treatment relieved me for a while, but I was soon confined to my bed again. After that, nothing seemed to do me any good.

I had gotten so weak I could not stand, and I gave up in despair. At last, my husband got me a bottle of Cardui, the woman's tonic, and I commenced taking it. From the very first dose, I could tell it was helping me. I can now walk two miles without tiring me, and am doing all my work."

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USEK, the Germans got there and crossed.

NONE of the candidates is making a dumb-dumb campaign.

SEVERAL candidates are dreading a heavy frost next Tuesday night.

EMPEROR WILLIAM is pictured wearing boots, and judging from the many reports of his activities, they must be seven league boots.

WHEN the Edison submarine that draws its air from the oxygen in the water is perfected the dreadnaughts may have to be equipped with wings.

FROM recent reports the Allies should get another supply of that wonderful explosive, turpentine, as the Germans are active and aggressive.

ENGLAND'S nervousness is shown in the fact that since the war began nearly sixty innocent persons have been killed there because they ignored the challenges of sentries.

IF Europe had been a United States of its own it might have left its troubles and its places in the sun to the arbitrament of an interstate commerce commission, thereby securing peace.

"THE peace-making forces of the modern world," says a writer in the English Review, "are not religious; they are humanitarian, financial, commercial, and intellectual." And we wonder whether this is not true.

SOMETHING unforeseen prevented the kaiser from spending his birth day in Paris and now it appears that something similar will interfere with the plans of the Russian general who was going to spend Christmas in Berlin.

HON. JAMES T. WERN, of Mayfield, was here Monday mingling with friends. He is a candidate for the nomination for Judge of the Court of Appeals, on the Democratic ticket, and will make a close canvass of the First District.

AMERICANS might appreciate the terrorism that reigns in Europe in ordinary times and that brought on this war by imagining the condition that would exist if, instead of friendliness and peace and good will, jealousy and hate and rancor existed between this country and Canada. Then each side of the border would be fortified and patrolled and a weight of militarism and dread would lie upon us all. War would be almost inevitable. But, fortunately, we have good neighbors and keep in harmonious relations with them.

Selecting Seed Corn.

There has been written time after time very lengthy articles in regard to testing seed corn. Men have put great stress on this subject, and have advised farmers very strongly on this very important point but you scarcely ever see anything in print or hear any one say anything about selecting seed corn and for that reason I want to talk to you just a little while. According to my way of thinking it is a great deal more essential to select your seed corn judiciously than it is to test it after it has been selected. Don't think that I mean to advise you to not test your seed corn. I think you should do that too. What I want to impress on you, is to use great care and judgement in getting out your seed corn. The

## THE LEGEND OF HALLOWE'EN

By MARY DICKERSON DONALD.

Have you ever heard this legend of the gates of Hallowe'en? Why on lawns and trees and roadways on that night they're all seen? Many years ago it happened, while the witches still held sway, And on Hallowe'en kept revel from the dark till break of day.

On a lonely hill they gathered, far away from farm or town, Where they hurried on their broomsticks, hundreds of them, flying down Till the hill was black with figures, and the woods for miles around Shook with terror, as they echoed every wild unearthly sound.

But one spring, a sturdy farmer, moving far and farther out, Found that hill, and by the autumn had it snugly fenced about With a fence of toughened chestnut, and that he need never wait To take down the bars, he also built therein a heavy gate.

Such a tall gate, such a strong one, fastened tight with bars and locks, Ready to withstand all dangers, from a spell to earthquake shocks. Not a witch had dreamed of danger, and on Hallowe'en they came, Eager for new pranks and ready for each wild and witchy game.

From their broomsticks they dismounted, at the bottom of the hill, And in laughing groups moved upward—unaware of danger still. But the foremost quickly halted—gave a shriek of wild dismay For a gate tight shut and heavy, stood there right across their way!

"Open for us," loud they shouted. But that gate was true and tried. Not for any angry ladies would it swing its portals wide! Long they beat at it and shouted, but the gate held firm and fast, And 'twas only spells and magic served to get them up at last.

For although they tried to climb it, every broomstick stubborn grew, And the fence, both bold and sturdy, refused to let them through. Then they met in angry council, and they placed on every gate Such a curse that in the autumn, year by year, each rears its fate.

Not a gate can rest untroubled in its place on Witches' night—Every one shakes on its hinges, though its locks be firm and tight. That's the story. And the moral? O—if any's to be seen, Go and ask your gate about it, on the night of Hallowe'en.

### Counter-Irritants.

best way to do this is to go into the field and gather it now while you can see and know just what you are doing. Put a sack over your shoulder with corners tied together so you can carry it with ease. Go through your field, select ears that have good weight, you can determine these by grasping the stalk just above the ear, give just a little swing of stalk, you can tell very readily the heavy ears from the light ones. When you have found an ear that suits your liking in weight, notice the general surrounding. Does this ear hang off from the stalk as it should? Is it the proper height from the ground? Is there a barren stalk standing beside it? If so, reject. Is it well filled on tip? Does the shuck cover end of ear well. Note all of these things; they are all important if you want your corn to mature early. Get your seed corn from that which has matured first.

This will have a tendency to hasten maturity. After you have considered the points and find an ear that suits you, snap it off, place it in your sack and so on. Don't think that this is too much work. You can get your seed in this way quicker and much easier than you can by going in your crib next spring besides you can by this method know just what you are planting. After you have got your corn, shuck it and place in sacks about 50 or 60 ears in each, hang it up in top or corner of barn. Here it will be out of your way, will dry out well and at the same time be out of reach of rats and mice or any thing that might destroy it. Then next spring, when your work is pressing you, labor high and hard to get, you have the satisfaction of a good stand of corn when you have once planted your crop. There is no replanting or uneven stand. Another good way to select seed corn, but not altogether as satisfactory as the first, is this: When you begin gathering your corn crop, note carefully the corn as you snap it from the stalk. When you find an ear that comes up to requirements set out in first method of selecting seed, just pull one side of the husk loose from ear, strip it back to but, pitch it in front end of wagon and when you get to the crib you can very readily pick out your seed by the ears, having been partially husked. Put the seed corn in barrels or a box until you have enough to fill your requirements. Then the first opportunity shuck your seed corn, store it away in sacks as first suggested. Let us all consider this well and as we have stated before, begin now for next year's corn crop.

A. Y. Finley, County Agent.

"Three frosts, then a rain" might all occur in one week, as we have had the frosts, but the chances are that School Fair day will be as fair as it will be large.

Mr. Bayless Hope is building a home on College street, and will soon have it under cover and ready for the finishers. It will be a modern structure in every way.

A counter irritant is a remedy applied to the surface of the body in order to produce congestion of the blood in the part directly beneath the skin. That always tends to relieve congestion that is giving pain and annoyance within the body by drawing the blood up to the surface. Counter-irritants vary all the way from the mildest of applications, which merely redden the skin for a little while, up to very powerful substances, like croton oil, which set up a strong inflammatory reaction that causes a pustular eruption.

The electric cautery is often used for the purpose of counter irritation, and it is very useful, for the reason that in the hands of a careful physician it can be made to produce any desired degree of irritation. It can be passed over the surface of the skin without actually touching it; that simply turns the skin red, and does in a minute and with perfect cleanliness what a mustard plaster would take time and trouble to accomplish. If a stronger effect is needed, the cautery can be permitted to touch the skin very quickly and lightly. But it should be used only by the physician, for it takes experience to know just exactly how to apply it in a given case.

The theory and practice of counter irritation ought to be understood in every household, because pain can be relieved and many threatened illnesses prevented by the simple application of the kind. The simplest counter-irritant are those called rubefacients (which means reddeners), of which perhaps mustard is the one best adapted to domestic use. The vesicants produce blisters; cantharides is a vesicant. The pustulants, which are very powerful, and used only in special cases, cause much inflammation, and are followed by a pustular eruption.

It must be remembered, however, that there is no definite line between one counter-irritant and another. A rubefacient, for example, will raise a blister if it is strong enough and left on long enough. That is why you should temper counter-irritants with mercy as well as judgment. The delicate skin of a little child does not need prolonged and powerful irritation, and people who are in a weak condition must not have mustard left on for long at a time, or sloughing of the skin may follow. In such cases, ten minutes is long enough for a single application, and it is a good plan to dress the skin with vaseline when you remove the mustard plaster.

All trains from the south have been late for several days past, on account of the extensive work being done in double tracking the line between Princeton and Fulton. The track is in bad condition, and trains are operated at reduced speed.

Muhlenberg roads were never better than right now. A vast amount of work has been done in all sections and it is hoped conditions of weather will be ideal, so that the many thousands who come to the School Fair may travel in comfort.

Every coal mine in the county will be shut down tomorrow, the men all coming to the School Fair.

The open season for birds will be on in two weeks, and hunters are busy getting time and equipment arranged to enjoy the second day, as November 15 falls on Sunday.

## ROADISMS

By Z. D. DUNLAP.

Assistant Director General National Highways Association.

All good people want good roads.

European wars don't worry our roads. Get busy and do your part in lifting Kentucky out of the mud.

Good roads and a merchant marine will be worth more to this nation than an ocean filled with battleships.

We lead the world in everything else, why not in good roads? Don't put a gauge on your enthusiasm for good roads. There are no meter rates.

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If you are a progressive citizen, you are interested in good roads because you cannot progress so long as your State and nation remain in the mud.

Do you realize that bad roads are costing you enough each year to make those roads permanently good?

Only through moral saulsion and appeal to men's reason can the Good Roads Movement succeed.

Ninety per cent. of travel is between towns and between cities.

Mr. Manufacturer, Merchant and Professional Man, you should take a hand in helping to create a strong and powerful sentiment for good roads in Kentucky.

Congress must set a definite plan for a national solution of the road problem under Federal auspices, and Congress cannot postpone action much longer.

Organization we must have in every county and State if we expect Congress to take any real interest in the road question. Every other interest is powerfully represented at Washington.

The advent of the automobile has done much to improve road conditions, and not only made road enthusiasts out of knockers, but has acquainted the city folk with the conditions and the surroundings of rural folk.

Don't worry relative to what becomes of the \$5. The Kentucky Good Roads Association does not expect to spend any part of it on you. There are many sections of the State that need the education which can only be given by a State organization. Put your sholder to the wheel and help. Don't lag behind, waiting for the other fellow to start; the other fellow might die.

Your work in the road movement must be in earnest, zealous and unselfish.

This is an age of progress in the United States in every sense, and the progressive movement should include within its scope the improvement of every important road in the country.

The improvement of raw highways is always followed by the improvement of all things which mean better road conditions: We must have cheaper transportation over our roads. The movement of either 1912 or 1913 crops cost the agricultural interests of the United States \$137,000,000 more than it ought to.

Don't get impatient because the endeavors of the Kentucky Good Roads Association do not bring immediate results. Remember, Rome was not built in a day. Don't say "don't" to any proposition respecting better roads. A "don't" never grew into an "I willer." The biggest thing conceived is the easiest thing to do, so do your part in making Kentucky the home of good highways.

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### Card of Thanks.

My grateful acknowledgement is hereby expressed to the many persons who contributed so generously to a fund which enables me to have a needed operation performed. I hope my health may be restored, and that my usefulness will be such that others may be helped.

Carrie L. Richards.

Notice the sale of property to satisfy city taxes. Sale will be made on Saturday, October 31, by city marshal W. R. Dennis.

### Examination November 14, To Select Rural Carrier.

There will be an examination held here November 14 to determine who is best fitted to serve on rural route No. 2, about fourteen miles in length in a northeasterly direction from town, going out the Siever's Ford road, into the Bevier road and back through Powderly, there being some 115 families to be served on the route. It is likely there will be considerable effort made to secure this appointment, and a large number of applicants will be examined.

Greenville will be better decorated Friday than ever in its history, and that is proper, for no town in Kentucky has entertained such a notable gathering as that attracted by our School Fair.

Telegrams and letters from Los Angeles to the family here convey the pleasing information that Mr. Clair DeWitt is recovering speedily from an operation for relief of appendicitis. His sister, Miss Lella DeWitt, is with him.

Mr. J. B. Hudspeth is home for a short vacation, coming over from Mt. Carmel, Ill., where he has been for some months working in a drug store.

### New Overland Car Here.

Messrs. Irvin & Gilman, agents, have received one of the new model 81 Overland cars, and it has attracted more attention than any car displayed here this season. The price of \$850 is in line for 1915, and with complete equipment, electric lights and starting systems, streamline body, plenty of power, extra fine finish, it is considered the best proposition that has been seen by our people. The car is being demonstrated to many persons daily and everyone is highly pleased with its fine riding qualities.

Greenville is enjoying a series of revivals this fall that have brought strong men to us, and the large attendance has best shown our appreciation of the messages delivered.

A fair day will be the one big factor in the success of the School Fair.

### Quality Counts.

I handle only the best. Trade with us and be one of our satisfied customers. If the meat pleases you tell somebody else. If it does not suit you tell Figeley, successor to J. E. Coombs, Main street Meat Market. Tel. No. 126.

### Owensboro District Epworth League Conference.

Greenville will have the honor and pleasure of entertaining a host of Epworth League delegates who will attend the annual conference, held here beginning Friday night, and sessions lasting until Sunday night, inclusive. A program of merit has been arranged, with prominent ministers and speakers handling many important, live topics. Everyone is invited to attend each session.

### Congressman Thomas Offers \$50 for Best Moonlight School.

Hon. R. V. Thomas, congressman from the Third district, has offered a prize of \$50 in gold for the best moonlight school in his district this winter. There is great activity in the moonlight school, and in the reduction in illiteracy in Kentucky, this branch of educational work is depended on more than any other, as older men and persons who cannot attend day school are given opportunity to receive instruction. Thousands of men and boys in the State have been taught to read and write in these schools, and encouragement and support are being universally extended. Mr. Thomas has done well in his offer, and his many friends will not forget this foresight and liberality.

People with Kodaks are making extra preparations for picture taking tomorrow.

### Evangelistic Services at Baptist Church.

A series of services was begun at the Baptist church last Sunday night. The pastor, Dr. Turley, is being assisted by Dr. B. A. Dawes, of Georgetown, one of the best known preachers in the state, and he is delivering some masterly addresses. The music is under the direction of Rev. E. W. Summers, and is proving a vital part of the services. Attendance is increasing, and much interest is already aroused. The services will continue until November 6, and everyone is invited to attend.

The Central City school will be here en masse to the School Fair tomorrow, thus adding hundreds of enthusiastic participants to the already greatest School Fair in the United States.

### Brizendine-Wynne Wedding.

Jennie Loena, youngest daughter of Mrs. Belle Brizendine, was married to Mr. Marcellus Wynne at 11:30 o'clock Monday morning at the home of the bride. The officiating clergyman was Rev. A. S. Crowell, pastor of the Presbyterian church, and the members of the family and a few friends witnessed the impressive ceremony. The bride is one of the most beautiful and popular girls of the younger set, and the groom is an honorable, industrious young man who has made a host of friends since he came here several years ago. The bride and groom are spending a few days in Nashville with relatives, and will return here tomorrow, where they will make their home. They have the best wishes of a wide circle of friends.

The pro- and anti-German sympathizers here are more nearly equal now; at the beginning about 90 per cent. were anti-German.

Several stores will be decorated handsomely tomorrow, in honor of the School Fair. Everybody will be made welcome by all our people.

Mr. John Meyerhofer has been in town several days. He is overhauling the home on his farm near Friendship, and will become a Muhlenberg county farmer, having decided to abandon the saw mill business, since his plant was destroyed by fire at Harkersport a few months ago. He will be a welcome addition to our farming element, and will prove a progressive citizen in every way.

The biggest day of the year comes tomorrow, when Muhlenberg school children, their teachers and parents will be here by the thousands.

Speaking of war and its horrors, there is one person hereabouts who has been butchering the English for years, and there is no hope that any declaration of peace will stop his atrocities.

Flags, bunting and decorative material will be more abundant here tomorrow than ever before in the history of the town.

Candidates of all political parties are covering the State thoroughly this last week of the campaign, and there are few communities in which the people have not had opportunity to hear argument and oratory.

The revival services at the Presbyterian church closed last Sunday night, and there were several additions to the church, together with a general interest aroused in spiritual matters.

The Central Life Insurance Co., of Kentucky has received applications since January 1 amounting to more than

# \$12,000,000

Which is three times as much as has been received by any other company operating in this State. For further particulars see or address

**A. C. WICKLIFFE, Mgr.**

**HOPKINSVILLE, KENTUCKY**

### LAND SALE FOR SCHOOL TAXES.

By virtue of taxes due School District No. 14, Greenville, Ky., I will sell the following property, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy the claims, for the years and in amounts as set forth.

Name	Tax	Pen. & Cost	Total
Allen, J. N.	\$8.74	\$2.52	\$11.26
Dempsey, Mrs. N. B.	1.13	2.97	4.20
Hayes, J. H., Admr. Nannie Hayes.			
Two years 1913-14	8.26	2.49	10.75
Williams, G. C.	3.88	2.22	6.10
Wells, Poley	.80	2.05	2.85
Williams, G. B. M.	7.80	2.46	10.26

All 1914 except as noted.  
Sale will be made at the court house door, Greenville, Ky., at 1 o'clock, p.m., or thereabouts, on

**Saturday October 31, 1914.**  
**C. E. Blackwell, Collector.**

### LAND SALE FOR TAXES.

By virtue of taxes due the City of Greenville, Ky., I will sell the following property, or so much thereof as may be necessary to satisfy the claims, for the years and in amounts as set forth.

Year	Amt.	Cost & Pen	Total
1912-13-14	\$30	\$2.04	\$32.04
William Day			
12-13-14	50	2.06	52.06
N. M. Elliott			
13	1,000	2.45	9.95
J. H. Hayes			
13	100	2.13	4.37
J. H. Hayes, Agt.			
14	600	.36	6.36
C. F. Helmsley			
14	50	2.02	2.40
J. C. Johnson			
14	500	2.31	7.56
J. G. Mitchell			
14	40	2.02	2.40
Miss Emma Morton			
14	1,250	2.56	11.99
Mrs. Ida Stirsman			
14	400	2.18	5.18

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Will Bennett  
14 30 2.22 5.97  
Zellia Moore  
12-13-14 200 2.27 6.77  
John Robinson  
14 200 2.18 5.18

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**Saturday, October 31, 1914**  
**W. R. Dennis, Collector.**

### PAY YOUR TAXES.

Following is a list of appointments, where I or one of my deputies may be found, ready to receive the taxes of the people of the county. All taxes must be collected by me by the first day of December. Persons finding it more convenient, may call at my office in the court house at Greenville any day, where they may obtain their receipts.

	October	November
Bremen	5	17
Rosewood	5	5
Earls	6	4
Midland	7	9
Penrod	7	4
South Carrollton	9	6
Brownsville	12	
Drakesboro	12	16
Nelson	13	10
Bevier, Morning		
Cleaton, Evening	14	11
Ennis	14	10
Beech Creek	13	9
Dunmor	6	13
Graham	2 and 4 Sat.	2 and 4 Sat.
Central City	8, 10, 15, 17, 22, 24, 29, 31	5, 7, 12, 14, 19, 21

FIRST AND LAST CALL.

**ROBT. WICKLIFFE**  
Sheriff Muhlenberg County.

### Local Mention.

School Fair Tomorrow.

Saturday night is Halloween. Police, police!

The gobble of the turkey is now heard around town.

Good morning! Are you ready for the School Fair?

Mr. J. P. Morgan motored to Madisonville Monday, spending a day or two with friends.

Mrs. Pat Parker and son, Morgan, of Dawson Springs, spent a few days here with relatives last week.

If it should rain Friday the precipitation will be increased by tear drops.

The prevailing colors now in nature's dress are russet and old gold.

Mrs. T. J. Morgan, of Russellville, was a week-end guest of Mrs. Jennie E. Roark.

As winter approaches we have stored our four cylinder gasoline stove.

Cover papers, typewriter papers, legal blanks, ribbons for all machines at this office.

### Stable Room For Rent.

Stalls in good stable for rent by day or month. Mrs. J. G. Bohannon.

Rev. G. P. Dillon will arrive today, to be present at the School Fair and to attend the sessions of the Epworth League conference.

We had our first frost Monday night, with the thermometer registering 30 Tuesday morning. Little damage was done, from reports received.

Candidates smelt their first frost just a week ahead of election, but they will get a more damaging one next Tuesday.

The ladies aid society of the Presbyterian church will serve lunch on north court square. Everything will be home cooked, and daintily served, while the prices will be moderate.

### Planting Mill and Supplies.

I have purchased the J. F. Green planing mill and stock of lumber, and carry building materials, sash and doors, ect. Will also contract buildings, complete.

James M. York.

Potato onions and onion sets for sale by Cecil E. Roark.

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### PLAID SKIRT WELL LIKED

Made of Many Materials, Though Probably Tartan Leads All of Them in Favor.

Plaid skirts are much seen. They are in fine serge, in silk, satin and crepe de chine, the plaits flattened with much pressing of the great irons used by tailors. Tartan skirts are plaid in this way and worn with black coats turned back with the tartan, or perhaps with a tartan waistcoat instead of trimmings of the Scotch material.

They are incorrectly called "plaids" in England. The plaid is the shawl or rug. Tartan is the pattern of it, and the Scotch would stare astonished at some of the tartans worn in France and Belgium and America, without the remotest reference to clan.

Plain woolen materials, very soft and fine, are worn in plaid skirts, and this is a favorite form for traveling on account of the very high step to the carriage on French and other continental railways, which cannot easily be negotiated in a tight skirt. These fine woolen materials are ideal for gowns and costumes at this season. Long coats are made of them, lined with tartan or plain silk, very cozy and extremely light.

### SHOWER BOUQUET



The "shower bouquet" is preferred by some brides, this pretty style being effected by innumerable narrow satin ribbons falling from the bouquet, trailing down, and knotted with blossoms, making a shower all the way to the foot of the skirt.

### FEATURES OF TAILOR-MADES

Many Distinctive Effects Will Be Noticed Among the Styles of the Coming Season.

The three-quarter coat finished at the bottom with a closely fitted full will be a feature of many of the season's tailor-mades, and the folded sash of figured material will be another. A very advanced tailor-made model in brick-red duvetyne had a knee-length coat with a fitted skirt some six inches deep around the bottom. A sash of oriental silk was draped round the waist with one long folded-over end hanging down the back slightly toward the right side. At the back the skirt of the coat was cut into a pointed tail, which buttoned over onto the sash. The same pointed tail effect was shown in the new sleeves, the tab being cut in one with the shoulder, and the long sleeve put in separately. This is a most effective little coat, and so thoroughly up to date that it is certain to remain in fashion for many months to come.

Another stylish model is exhibited fashioned of covert cloth. The skirt is draped high in front under a tab of the cloth, under which at either side the peplum top is set. The latter drops lower in the back to a point following the lines of the skirt coat. A big turnover collar having points on the shoulder is of white linen with bias bands, embroidered in black and red floss.

About the Eyebrows. Why do not most women take greater care of their eyebrows?

Until unsightly bald spots appear many seem to think they are indestructible, and others are content with unevenly growing ones. Yet the delicately arched and perfectly smooth eyebrow is a feature of great charm.

Every woman can spare a minute in the morning to brush the eyebrows—from the nose outward always—with a small, soft brush. This stimulates them, removes dust that hinders their growth and keeps them smooth and in place.

If the hair is scant or beginning to fall, a lotion will be found an excellent restorative. It should be rubbed in with the tip of a finger every night, care being taken to stroke outward. The lotion is composed of oil of neroli, ten drops; tincture of cantharides, one drachm, and almond oil, two ounces.

Inexpensive Jardinieres. Instead of buying expensive jardinieres for your potted plants, simply paint the ordinary flower pot and saucers with a flat, oil paint in a color to harmonize with the color scheme of the room they are in. Flower pots painted a green-blue or a Chinese blue are wonderfully quaint and decorative.

### SOME REAL LABOR SAVERS

Methods by Which Efficient Work May Be Done in Comparatively Short Time.

It is a trying task to cut gowns or skirts of crepe de chine, silk muslin, soft silks or any material which has a tendency to draw or slip on the table, and if you would greatly obviate the difficulty of cutting such goods, first cover the table with a felt or heavy cloth.

In renovating feather pillows, first open one corner of the ticking and pour boiling water in. This renders the feathers a kind of pulp, wet mass, which can be easily handled. Have ready some soapy water and take the feathers out and thoroughly wash them in this, using more soap if necessary. Then thoroughly rinse them in several waters and put back into the washed cover and hang it out in the hot sun.

With a long, clean stick you can turn them occasionally through the opened corner. As the sun's heat dries the feathers they will swell to fill the cover and be wonderfully light and fluffy and perfectly clean without being scattered at all, which invariably happens when they are handled dry.

A neat and very satisfactory way to keep patterns is to file them away in a 25-cent letter file. Keep this way (flat), they are not found rolled or torn when the housewife needs them, and they are very easily found if the patterns of one class are filed away together.

Some housekeepers aver that if a room is filled with smoke it can be easily cleared by waving above one's head a towel that has been wrung out. Used in a fanning fashion, it is said to accomplish the work in a few minutes. Only a little vinegar in a small quantity of water is required for the wetting of the towel.

### Prune Jelly.

Prunes are frequently ordered by physicians, and if the patient rebels at the plain stewed dish, try prune jelly. Wash half a pound of prunes and soak them overnight in cold water. Next morning set them over the stove in an enameled pan, cover with half a cup of water and bring to the boiling point. During this process soak a quarter of a box of gelatin in half a cup of cold water. When it is dissolved add it, with a quarter of a cup of sugar, to the prunes. Now press the mixture through a colander into a mold and stand aside for three or four hours to harden. Serve with cream if the diet list permits.

### An Improved Steamer.

If you have not a steamer a very good make-shift is to put your pudding mixture in a small round tin pan. Tie a string around this just below the rim and fasten two long loops to it, one on each side.

Put this pan in an ordinary saucepan, big enough to hold it, and pour in boiling water enough to come about half way up the inner pan.

Put the loops of string, let them hang down outside the saucepan and boil the pudding enough to come about half way up the inner pan.

The strings are to be used for handles to take the pan out of the boiling water when the pudding is done. Pull up the loops of string, let them hang down outside the saucepan and boil the pudding enough to come about half way up the inner pan.

### Cocoanut Rice Mold.

Boil one pint of milk; stir in three tablespoonsful of well-washed rice; allow to cook till the rice is quite soft; add three tablespoonsful of sugar, two heaping tablespoonsful finely chopped cocoanut and one-half tablespoonful of gelatin which has been dissolved with one-quarter pint of hot milk; allow to cool. Stir in one-half pint of whipped cream and pour into wet molds. When firm turn out on a dish. Serve with cold stewed fruit.

### To Clean Black Satin.

When cleaning black satin peel and slice two large raw potatoes and put into a pint of water, with a pinch of salt, and let stand all night. Next morning sponge the satin on the right side with this mixture and wipe lightly with a cloth. Then iron on the wrong side, and it will be as glossy as new.

### Bedroom Curtains.

For a bedroom, sash curtains of the crinkly crepe that is sold for underwear are pretty and practical. They hang well and needs no ironing. The overhanging may be made of gray-blue gingham, stenciled in a conventional design in dark blue.

### Stale Bread.

One way of serving stale bread is to cut it in one-fourth inch slices, remove crusts and cut each slice in three finger shaped pieces. Toast on both sides, arrange in a dripping pan, sprinkle with grated cheese and bake until the cheese is melted.

### Baked Egg Plant.

Peel the egg plant, cut a piece from the top, take out the seeds, fill the cavity with a dressing as for ducks, replace the top piece and bake one hour, basting with a spoonful of butter in a cupful of hot water, afterward dredging with flour. Serve immediately.

### Saves Ironing.

When taking washing off the line fold the sheets, pillow cases and all plain clothes and run through wringer. This saves ironing.

### To Prevent Fading.

Vinegar in the rinse water will set the color of the lavender shades, gingham and linens. Use one tablespoonful to each quart of water.

### PAYING THE PRICE

By N. H. CROWELL.

A gaunt woman stood in the cabin doorway and peered anxiously down the narrow pathway leading into the depths below. At her knees clung three tow-headed children—haggard, wide-eyed little girls—the sound of half-stifled sobbing told of grief rankling in their childish bosoms.

After a careful scrutiny of the timber far beneath, the woman turned and patted the girls' heads reassuringly.

"When are we a-goin' to eat, mam?" inquired the eldest, for perhaps the tenth time.

"When pap comes, child," came the weak response.

The woman's hollow cheeks flushed as she glanced swiftly toward the little cupboard in the corner—she knew its hidden secret. Jim, her husband, also knew it when he descended that narrow path early in the morning.

From the depths a whistle sounded up clear and keen, and the anxious face of the woman became pitiful with

tears, eager hope. Nearer came the sound, and presently the crackle of branches brushed aside could be heard.

"Lissy?" 'Twas a man's voice—expectant—full of cheer.

"Jim!" That word spoke volumes. The children darted away, and somewhere in the dark a laughing, scuffling capture took place. The woman smiled slightly and turned quickly to her work—her preparations for a meal.

Hastily the four entered the cabin, the children tugging at a wealth of packages clasped beneath the man's long arms. One stride took him to the table and he dropped his burden thereon, hastily, as though glad to have done with them.

"Purty late, Lissy, by Jo!" he said. "Thought I never would git up them rocks beyond Cole's fork. I'm clean tuckered."

"Jim!" The word trembled pitifully. "Yuh hain't got no credit down yender, have yuh, Jim?"

"No, Lissy, I hain't."

"No money here a-comin' in to yuh nowhere, Jim?"

"They railed a will'cat this afternoon, Lissy," he said, awkwardly.

"Who got took?" 'Twas a prompt, eager, ready query.

"Tunk Sellers. I heard they ketch'd 'im."

"Shore, Jim?"

"Yes, Lissy, I'm shore."

She slooped and hustled herself at the stove—her eyes wide, like those of a hunted animal. A short time elapsed and the savory odor of frying meat dwelt fragrantly upon the air. The children circled clamorously about the table, expectant.

"Set up, Jim," said the woman, presently.

He shook his head slowly.

"I hain't hungry, Lissy."

She did not argue the matter—her voice prevented it. The meal was nearly over when the man arose and stood before a cracked bit of looking glass that hung on the wall. Presently he turned and dropped a small packet into the woman's lap.

"Yuh mought git yuh a better glass, Lissy. Yuh will—won't yuh, gal?" He spoke tenderly, yet harshly.

She dropped her fingers and they met the packet. The fingers instinctively closed over it. Her eyes studied the faded design in the oilcloth fixedly.

Upon a little shelf stood a battered clock. He picked it up and began winding it, after which he shook it to his ear. Replacing it, he stretched himself lazily—then kissed the little girls, beginning at the eldest.

The woman's face was now buried in her apron. He put his broad hand upon her gray-locked locks, bent low and whispered:

"Lissy—woman—I'm goin'."

Silently he opened the door and stepped out into the darkness.

Crack! It came up, clear and crisp—the sound of a rifle.

Shitless Jim had taken the price—and a law, as inscrutable as fate, ordained that he should return to the lonely moor 'n home no more forever.

### Patroling Uncle Rod.

When Uncle Rod, the old colored man who worked about the place, came one morning Mrs. Stone said:

"Well, Uncle Rod, I hear you have another pair of twins at your house."

"Yaas, missus," responded the man, "we has. Bress dey little hearts!"

"Have you named them yet?" asked the woman.

"Yaas," said Rod. "Done named 'em aftah two ob de fust presidents ob dis country."

"Indeed!" said Mrs. Stone, "which two?"

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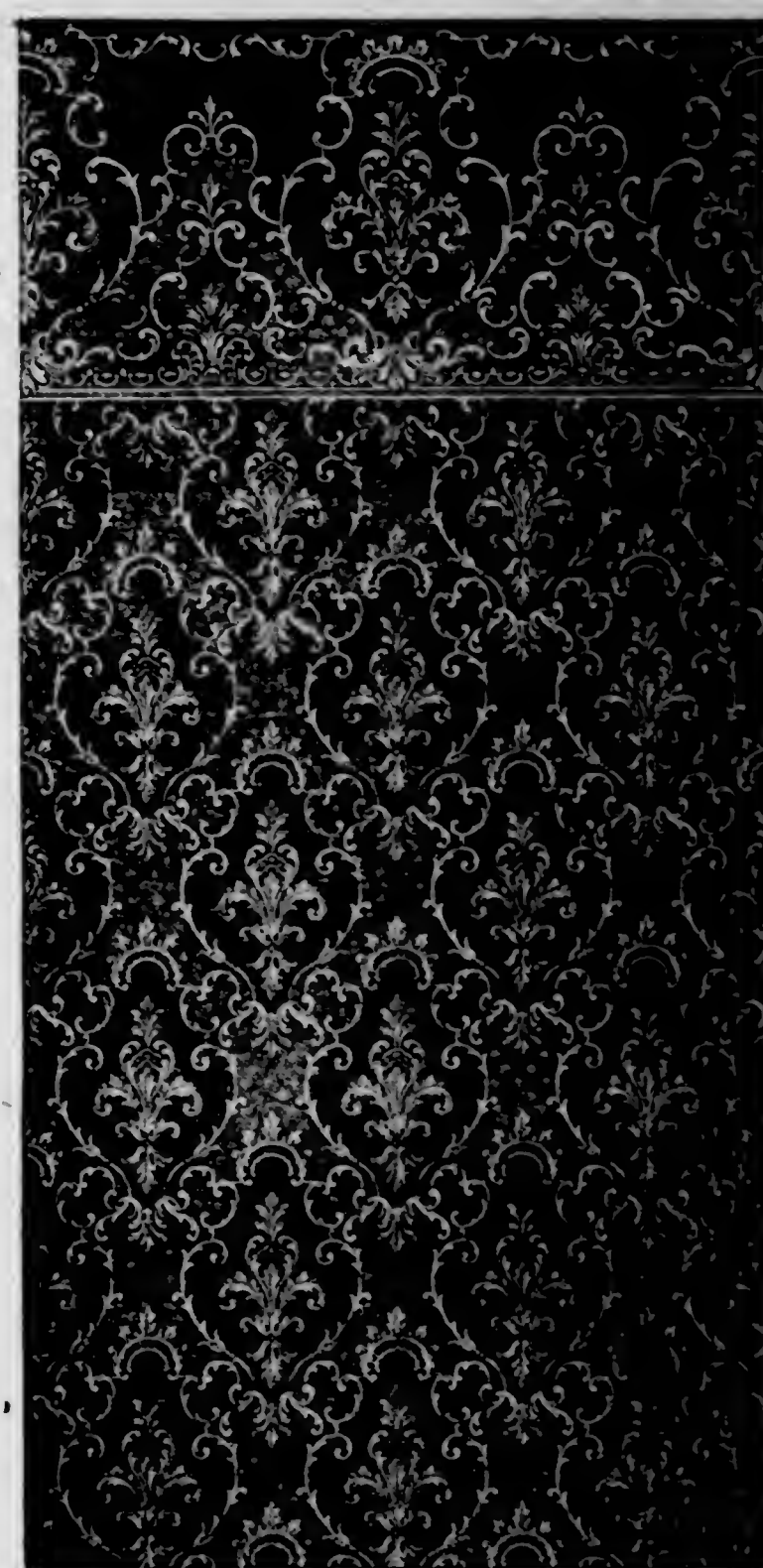
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